GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL AND MINES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3240
ANSWERED ON:10.12.2002
FIRE INCIDENCE IN SUBSIDIARIES OF COAL INDIA LIMITED
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Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether frequent fire incidence in various subsidiaries of Coal India Ltd. are destroying the coal stocks;

(b) if so, whether any survey has been conducted in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of schemes implemented for controlling the fire and environment protection etc. during the last three years;

(e) whether some schemes have not been implemented;

(f) if so, the reasons therefor;

(g) the time by which these schemes are likely to be implemented;

(h) whether almost 25 thousand tonnes of Coal was destroyed in the raw coal stock of Kathara Washery of the Central Coal Fields Limited;

(i) if so, the details thereof; and

(j) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL & MINES AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW JUSTICE SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD

(a): There was no report of frequent fire incidences in coal stocks in subsidiaries of Coal India Limited.Loss of coal stock due to fire has not been reported over the last three years from any subsidiary of Coal India Limited.

(b) & (c): Do not arise in view of reply given to part (a) of the above question.

(d): There is no scheme as such for controlling fire and environmental protection etc. arising out of heating/fire in coal stocks. Preventive measures like laying of water pipe- lines, arrangement of pumps etc. for dealing with heating are maintained near coal stocks. In case of heating, water spraying/blanketing with incombustible materials is done along with segregation of heated material.

(e) to (g): Do not arise in view of reply given to part (d) of the question above.

(h): No, Sir.

(i) & (j): Do not arise in view of reply given to part (h) of the question above.